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**Ziller, Jeff, April 3, 2009, District Fish Biologist, South Willamette Watershed District, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, phone conversation with Linda Costello, Ecology & Environment Inc. regarding Sport Fishing within 15-miles downstream of Black Butte Mine, 1 page.**

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<b>Project Name:</b> Black Butte Mine
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<b>Date:</b> 4/3/09 <b>Time:</b> 4:00 pm
<b>Contacted By:</b> Linda Costello, Ecology & Environment Inc., Project Manager <i>JLC</i>
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<b>Subject:</b> Sport Fishing within 15-miles downstream of Black Butte Mine
<b>Content:</b> Dennis Creek is a perennial stream which contains cutthroat trout, although fishing within the stream has not been confirmed. Garoutte Creek is a fish bearing stream and is open for fishing for consumption. Rainbow trout and cutthroat trout are popular with sport anglers on the Coast Fork Willamette River both upstream of and below the Cottage Grove Reservoir. Fishing locations on these streams would include those open to the public. The entire Cottage Grove Reservoir is an extremely popular sport fishing area. Large mouth bass less than 15 inches in length can be retained for consumption; and are retained for consumption. Large mouth bass larger than 15" inches in length must be released due to mercury contamination. Other popular sport fish that are caught for consumption in the Cottage Grove Reservoir include bluegill sunfish, stocked rainbow trout, white and black crappie; and brown bullhead which are popular with the Asian community. Fish catch figures for waterbodies within the 15-mile target distance limit are not maintained.